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Subject: RE FW: Letter to Assessors No. 2013/020, Proposed Revisions to Application for Changed Assessment Form

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Placer County Comments on Proposed Revisions:

Agree/Support Items:

- 1 Remove Language "provide 2 copies"
- **2** COB use only box
- 6 Adding Penalty Info for Section 4 Instead of adding wording in columns A, B, and C, add wording to "PENALTIES" – "PENALTIES AMOUNT OR PERCENT"

Example:

PENALTIES AMOUNT OR		
PERCENT		

- **7** Section 5 Add Penalty Assessment Information
- 8 Remove Tax Bill language
- **10** Change Section 6 "Facts" to "Reason for Appeal". That makes much more sense.
- **11** Revise Section 6 F adding Penalty information
- 13 Instructions adding 482b Penalty wording

Neutral Opinion for Items:

- 3 Section 3 DBA info
- **4** Section 3 Add Property Types
- **5** Section 3 Revise Owner Occupied. I would also support making this question more visible. Many applicants miss this question and it goes unanswered.

Oppose Items:

- **9** Section 6 construction in process I am afraid that language would confuse applicants
- 12 Hearing Officer Language. We do not have a Hearing Officer and would not want to confuse our applicants.
- 14 Hearing Officer Language
- **15** Hearing Officer Language

I was a bit confused about Item 17 – Revising Instructions. Do you have that wording? I wouldn't want to confuse applicants with appeal resolution process in the application process.

We are using the 2 Page Application that resulted from the BOE Workgroup (and want to keep it).

If you have any questions about the responses, let me know.

Thanks,

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Assessment Form

The link below will take you to LTA No. 2013/020 regarding proposed changes to the *Application* for *Changed Assessment* form. If you can't access the LTA using the link, go the BOE's Web site at www.boe.ca.gov/proptaxes/2013.

I am asking CACEO's BOE Rules Work Group members and other Clerks of the Board to review this material as soon as possible and to provide me your recommendations regarding each of the 17 proposed changes to the application form **no later than Friday, March 1, 2013.** At that time, we'll schedule a meeting of the Work Group to go over the proposals and clerks' recommendations and prepare a single response from CACEO. (Of course you can always provide your response directly to Sherrie Kinkle at the BOE if you choose, but I would appreciate receiving a copy of your input for our files.

If any Clerk of the Board who is not currently a member of CACEO's BOE Rules Work Group would like to serve on the committee, please get in touch with me as soon as you can. We'd be happy to add you to the membership. It's been some time since we've had to activate the committee and we could use some new folks to replace clerks who have!

Note that if only one or two of the proposed changes are incorporated into the form, the form will need to go to two pages, NOT including instructions. A few years ago when the BOE proposed making the application a two-page form, many clerks went ballistic and the BOE staff abandoned its suggestion. Is this still an issue with clerks? Some of the proposals seem good, but are clerks going to hold to the position of No Way, No How on the notion of a two-page form? Do the benefits of making some of the proposed changes outweigh the problems of a two-page form?

Please do consider the proposals as soon as you can and get back to me. There is no real need to wait until March 1.

And please do get back to me soon if you want to join the committee!

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